## **SUSPICIONS**

Details, please, about the report that U.S. Navy intelligence officers worked with organized crime members in New York during World War II.



Mobster Meyer Lansky worked with his colleague Lucky Luciano to help the Navy stop sabotage and spying on the docks of New York City. Details of that secret alliance have leaked out in bits and pieces over the years, but Lansky confirms them for the first time in a newly published unauthorized

biography called Meyer Lansky: Mogul of the Mob. Like organized crime figures who worked with the CIA to try to assassinate Fidel Castro, Lansky says he was motivated by patriotism. Lansky confided his role to Israeli journalist Uri Dan, one of the authors of the book, after Dan helped the gangster find his grandparents' graves on the Mount of Olives when Lansky was trying to settle in Israel.